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THE FALCON CLUB STORE

Falcon Club of America T-shirt (short sleeve, white w/red trim) Adult - S, M, L, XL; Child's - S, M, L	\$7.00
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Golf Shirt (light blue/FCA logo/pocket) S, M, L, XL	\$13.00
Hat - ball style w/FCA patch	\$6.50
Convention Booklets (1980, 81, 82, 83)	\$.50
Books: 1960-63 Reproduction Shop Manual (includes V-8)	\$30.00
<i>FALCON</i> by Ray Miller (covers all Falcons - Hardcover cover - - 320 pgs.)	\$35.00
<i>The Ford Falcon - 1960-1963</i> by Phil Cottrill	\$16.00
Decal (National Club window decal)	\$1.25
Patches: National Club patch (3" round)	\$2.25
Ford Falcon (oval, blue & gold)	\$2.25
FALCON (rectangular, red & gold)	\$2.25
Memo Pad (FCA imprint)	\$.50
Ball Point ("FCA - The New Size Ford" imprint)	\$.75
Falcon Fender Cover (24" x 48" w/Falcon imprint)	\$16.50
Tire Key Chain (center FCA logo)	\$1.25
Poster - (24" x 36") 28 color pictures of Falcons	\$4.00
License Plate (Falcon Club of America - white/red letters)	\$4.50
Bumper Sticker (I [heart] My Falcon)	\$1.75
Pins - Hat Tacks: Falcon Bar (red, white, blue)	\$2.25
Falcon Bar (smaller size)	\$2.25
Falcon Script (silver)	\$2.25
Falcon Script w/year 1960, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65	\$2.25
Silhouette of: 1960-63 Ranchero	\$2.25
Econoline Pickup	\$2.25
1963 Hardtop	\$2.25
1964-65 Hardtop	\$2.25

New — National Falcon Club of America 9" Patch for Jacket \$6.00

State size, U.S. Postage paid — Canada & foreign orders please send money order and include \$2.00 postage. Please make checks and money orders payable to: Falcon Club of America.

Send all orders to: Ellen O'Dell, 417 Valley View, East Alton, IL 62024.

PARTS FOR SALE (Cont.)

Falcon 1960-1970 N.O.S. upholstery fabrics. Original cloth and vinyl yardage. Send sample for match-up. Original 80-20 rayon-nylon loop carpet sets, headliners and trunk mats. SASE please. Original Auto Interiors, 7869 Trumble Rd., St. Clair, MI 48079. Phone (313) 727-2486.

Parting out a 1964 4-door Futura, 1964 2-door sedan, and a 1965 4-door sedan. Send SASE with needs to Franklin Hoover, 1300 So. 18th St., Columbus, OH 43206, or call (614) 443-3658 evenings.

Falcon parts: Too many to list, all years. Send your needs to Dave Jones, Box 565, Parachute, CO 81429. Parts list one dollar.

PARTS WANTED

1964-65 hood ornament, '64-'65 convertible back curtain, and any information on how to install and hook up a remote trunk release in a 1964 convertible. Troy Witt, 108 Strese Ln., Apple Valley, MN 55124. Phone (612) 432-1672.

For 1962: two rear tail light lenses. J. T. Green, 2755 Victoria, Wichita, KS 67216.

For 1963 Sprint: bucket seat elbows C3DB-6361694-A, RH, C3DB6361695-A, LH. N.O.S. or good used, these are hardtop parts. Bob Passino, 5188 E. Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, NY 14467. Phone (716) 334-6779 days.

For 1965 Futura wagon: left front door armrest in blue. Have heard Fairlane right rear door armrest is same. Neal East, 501 Westminster, Alhambra, CA 91803, phone (818) 282-7239 evenings.

1963 4-speed shifter (chrome) arm w/reverse lock out and ball. Need three good '62-'63 console tops, "minimum - scratches". Doesn't need good mounting screws (for a custom job). James B. Sommerfeld, 6720 W. Adler St., Milwaukee, WI 53214, phone (414) 257-3190 after 9:30 p.m. weekdays, anytime weekends.

N.O.S. or near-perfect RF fender for 1963 Futura convertible. Also need windshield and various trim items. John Luffman, 4648 S. Main St., Acworth, GA 30101, phone (404) 974-7429.

1964 Sprint chrome aircleaner. Kenneth Everett, 343 Oak Ave., Cherry Hill, NJ 08002. Phone (609) 667-0847 evenings.

MISCELLANEOUS

Falcon service manuals, all years in stock. Please inquire SASE. Illustrated parts manuals, 1960-64, 1960-65, 1960-67, (specify). Body, about 250 pages, mechanical, about 400 pages, \$16.50 each ppd. Both \$31.50 ppd. Includes interchange with other Ford models. Always buying manuals, what do you have? Jim Lungwitz, Box 1078, Monticello, MN 55362.

CHAPTERS

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The Lone Star Chapter

Jerry Hutchinson, 2724 Townsend Dr., Ft. Worth, TX 76110. For information call (817) 921-9258.

The Founder's Chapter

Linda Acrey, 1208 S. Center, Lonoke, AR 72086.

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David Jeffries, 5125 Bridle Place, Colorado Springs, CO 80907. (303) 593-1450.

Northwest Falcons Chapter

Edward Murphy, 100-137th S.E., Everett, WA 98204.

Mid-America Chapter

James Hatcher, 8301 W. 92nd Terrace, Overland Park, KS 66212.

Mason-Dixon Chapter

Robert Gerke, Rt. 1, Box 233, Bridgeville, DE 19933.

The Northeast Chapter

Vinny DeLucia, 208 Highland Dr., Waterbury, CT 06708.

The Arizona Chapter

Pete Hoffman, 7523 Edgewater Circle, Mesa, AZ 85208.

The Alamo Chapter

Robert W. Cox, 2506 Turkey Oak, San Antonio, TX, 78232. (512) 494-8370.

The North Central Falconeers Chapter

Gary Fuerst, 1619 N. Charlotte St., Appleton, WI 54911.

The Suncoast Falcon Chapter

Steve Lee, 340 High Street, Tarpon Springs, FL 33589.

The Southeast Chapter

Gary Goddard, 1586 Hwy. 212, Conyers, GA 30208. (404) 483-8756.

The Mile Hi Chapter

Bill Clements, 7936 E. Jefferson Pl., Denver, Co 80237. (303) 771-4968.

OTHER CLUBS OF INTEREST

The Ford Falcon Club of San Diego, P.O. Box 2156, Spring Valley, CA 92077.

The Ford Falcon Club of Los Angeles, 1163 Coolfield Drive, Covina, CA, 91722.

Fairlane Club of America, 721 Drexel Ave., Drexel Hill, PA 19026.

The Ranchero Club, 1339 Beverly Rd., Portvue, PA 15133.

Comet Club, 5878 Hobe Lane, White Bear Lake, MN 55110-6466.

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS: The club will send out notices to each member the month before membership expires. Be sure to send your renewal in early to retain your original membership number. If you do not renew your membership within 90 days after it has expired, your membership number will be placed in the inactive file and will no longer be used by the club.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As most of you can see, the meets are starting to begin. In our club alone we have three regionals set up and a national meet. We hope you will plan to attend some of these events. Be sure to send your registrations in early so the chapters can plan a better meet for you.

The National Meet booklet went in the mail just recently and we hope you enjoy it. Come be a part of this year's National so you can be a part of next year's book. Again, please remember to make your plans early to attend some of these meets.

We appreciate your support in sending in articles for the newsletter, and want you to keep them coming. Our editors are doing an outstanding job, and let's help them all we can.

Roy E. Sword, President, FCA

EDITOR'S NOTE

The Falcon News is "packed" this month with good reading. Thanks for your cards and letters of support. We have lots of interesting articles, feature Falcons and technical tips lined up for upcoming months.

Chapters, send us pictures of your car meets so other members can enjoy seeing the "favorite Falcons" on display.

Let us hear from *YOU!*

Bill & Kathy Woodell, Editors

1987 FALCON CALENDAR UPDATE

Please keep the photos coming! I have had several questions about returning the photos. I talked to the printers, and they said that they would not be damaged. So if you would like your photos returned, please include a SASE, and they will be returned after the first printing.

As of right now, the calendar will consist of these categories: (1) Convertibles, (2) Sedan Deliveries, (3) Racing & High Performance, (4) 1960-1961, (5) 1962-1963, (6) 1964-1965, (7) 1966-1970½, (8) Rancheros, (9) Sprints, (10) Futuras, (11) Single, (12) Single.

So please send photos to fill these classes. The calendar will be in full color. Rick Dilks, 307 N. Castle, Paola, KS 66071, phone (913) 294-2599.

PARTS FOR SALE

Wisconsin or bust. Order "Hard to ship" body and heavy parts from me to deliver to Wisconsin. Will stop anywhere west of Wisconsin to deliver. Also, padded dashes, door panels, and lots of chrome. Parting out '61 2 door, '64-'65 hardtops. SASE with needs. Brian Lukas, 1107 Curtis St., Albany, CA 94706, phone (415) 525-9226.

2 fiberglass doors, 1964-65 Falcon or Comet, \$600. Bill Hinton, Hinton Press, Inc., P.O. Box 333, Mebane, NC 27302, phone (919) 563-3111.

'64-'65 tail light lenses, \$7 pair; 2-door sedan glass, \$10 each piece; 260, 289, 302 aluminum 4V highrise manifold, \$90; Holley 650 CFM dbl. pumper, \$65; and other '64-'65 parts. SASE w/needs. Troy Witt, 108 Strese Ln., Apple Valley, MN 55124. Phone (612) 432-1672.

Bucket seats, green, C1DZ-6461704B and C1DZ-6461705B from 1961 or 1962 Sports Coupe. \$50 pair and shipping. Bob Passino, 5188 E. Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, NY 14467. Phone (716) 334-6779 days.

Deluxe horn ring, \$5, and complete instruments sub assembly, panel assembly, \$10. J. T. Green, 2755 Victoria, Wichita, KS 67216.

1964 Falcon 4-door parts: front bumper, \$25; grille, \$25; back lights, \$15; hood emblem, \$40; perfect newly upholstered seats, \$60; 2 good left doors and vents with glass, \$70; head and park lights, etc., original, subject to prior sale. Mary Jane Knisely, P.O. Box 16636, Orlando, FL 32861, phone (305) 299-4364.

1963 Futura parts, many good parts including: conv. sill plates, \$35; arm rests, \$10; kick panels, \$10; conv. tinted windshield, \$80; radios, \$25; rear seats, 2-door sedan, \$25; radiators, \$25. Also 1962 Fairlane 221 V/8 engine, never started, disassembled, \$300 or trade on good 260 or 289. Moving, must sell! Darold A. Lowe, (717) 667-3132.

Fordomatic 2-speed rebuilding kits with gaskets, o-rings, lip seals, clutches (bronze frictions, steels) front and rear seals, sealing rings, \$52. Specify engine size and year. Bands \$30 each, adjustable modulator \$8. Bushings, washers, pumps and miscellaneous hard parts available. Kits, bands, and parts available for small, medium case, C-4 and C-6. David Edwards, Box 245-FC, Needham Hgts., MA 02194. Phone (617) 449-2065, evenings.

One pair 1960-63 primed Foxcraft fender skirts new in the box, \$65 postpaid. New old stock 1960-63 black door lock knobs, \$2.50 each postpaid. Jim Rodell, 5105 South 18th Ave., West Bend, WI 53095.

Parting out Type 66A Ranchero #5H27U114212 and Type 71B wagon #4R24U165386 (trim #62) bodies: luggage rack, \$35; body side mouldings (single wide strip), \$8 each; gas cap, \$25; power steering (control valve, power cylinder, pump), \$45; Dagenham transmission parts — write for list. Skip Goddard, 2625 West Virginia, Tucson, AZ 85746.

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CARS FOR SALE

1963 Falcon Convertible, bright red, excellent condition, 6 cyl. automatic. \$2,500 firm. Robert Grahl, Glens Falls, NY. Phone (518) 792-1704.

1966 Ranchero, 6 cyl. automatic & air. Truck is in very good condition. 98,000 original miles. 1983 show winner in Dallas. \$1,895. James Beckwith, Benton, AR. Phone (501) 794-1948.

1962 Ford Falcon, two-door, standard shift, straight body, no rust (car is originally from New Mexico), runs good, good tires, good seats and headliner, \$875 firm. Call Dianne Lorentson in Devine, Texas at (512) 663-9496.

1962 Sports Futura, 6 cyl., a/t. White with blue interior. 95% complete. Runs OK, engine smokes; body good, needs some work, no rust. An excellent project. Brian Lukas, 1107 Curtis St., Albany, CA 94706, (415) 525-9226.

1965 Falcon, 2 dr. sedan, st. drive, 6 cyl., one owner, original blue and white. Mint car in storage. \$4,000. Bill Hinton, Hinton Press, Inc., P.O. Box 333, Mebane, NC 27302. Phone (919) 563-3111.

1963 Falcon Futura Hardtop, 6 cyl., factory 4-speed, mild custom rumble seat, front air dam, fresh interior and red paint, many new parts, AM-FM stereo cassette, CB, sharp fun car. \$2,500 documented invested in parts alone. Need space. Asking \$2,300 or best offer/trade. Ernest Shaver, Rt. 1, Box 169, Crimora, VA 24431, phone (703) 363-5660.

1963 Falcon Futura Convertible. 289, automatic transmission. Fair condition. Driven daily. \$2,000. Jim Braun, 30 East State St., Doylestown, PA 18901. Phone (215) 345-5234 after 5:00.

CARS WANTED

1962-65 Sedan Delivery in original, unruined condition. 1962 or '63 preferred. Call Milt evenings at (413) 283-3132.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 29, 1986

Social gathering at the famous Mountain Man Steak House, 5797 Quebec St., Denver, CO. The Mile Hi Chapter will host this social gathering on Saturday, March 29, 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. For information call Nanci Aitable at (303) 750-5913.

APRIL 1, 1986 - INDIANA

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m. at Denny's Restaurant, 4209 S. East Street (old U.S. 31 Hwy.), Indianapolis, IN. If you have any questions, please contact Cliff Smith at (317) 736-5597. Please plan to attend.

APRIL 12, 1986

The Founder's Chapter will meet at Golden Host Cafeteria, Park Plaza Center, Markham & University, Little Rock. Let's meet on the parking lot at 5:30 p.m., and buffet dinner at 6:00 p.m. We had 31 in attendance at our March meeting, so let's all come and bring a prospective member and have an evening of fun.

APRIL 13, 1986

First Annual Event for ALL Western Region Ford Car Clubs!! Fabulous Fords Forever!! Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park, CA. Over 1,500 entries expected! Plan Ahead! For information call Wayne Bradley at (818) 343-2091 or Johna Pepper, (714) 859-6890.

APRIL 19, 1986

The Founder's Chapter encourages all chapter members and other FCA members who can to attend the W & W Ford Show, Searcy, AR. We turned a lot of heads last year by having 20 Falcons out of 52 cars at the show, so let's have more this year. We will meet for breakfast in Jacksonville at the Country Kitchen (Airbase Exit — West side of freeway) at 7:30 a.m. We will leave approximately 8:30 - 9:00 and tour to Searcy. Contact Roy Sword at 982-1029 for more information.

APRIL 20, 1986

The Mason-Dixon Chapter will have a show in Seaford, DE. Write or call Bob Gerke, Route 1, Box 233, Bridgeville, DE 19933, phone (302) 337-8175.

APRIL 26, 1986

The Alamo Chapter will have a club trip to Pate Swap Meet south of Ft. Worth, TX. An inter-club meeting and get-together with the Lone Star Chapter will be held Saturday night at the Best Western, W. Branch Inn, 7301 W. Freeway, Ft. Worth, TX, phone (817) 244-7444 at 8:00 p.m. Others interested in joining us in this inter-club meeting are welcome to attend. For information call Robert Cox at (512) 494-8370.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (Cont.)

APRIL 26, 1986

The Mile Hi Chapter will have a business meeting at Furrs Cafeteria, Bear Valley Shopping Center, in the meeting room. Optional dinner at 6:00 p.m., meeting at 7:00 p.m. Important Heritage Square and 1987 National Meet proposal agenda items. Contact president Bill Clements, 7936 E. Jefferson Place, Denver, CO 80237, (303) 771-4968 for information.

MAY 3, 1986

Spring meet for N.E. Chapter, May 3, 1986, at Dutchess County Fairgrounds, Rhinebeck, NY. Held during the parts/Swap meet. For information, send SASE to Tom Massarelli, 10 Young St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601, phone (914) 471-7769.

MAY 16, 17, 18, 1986

Southeastern Regional Meet at the Marriott Hotel, Windy Hill Rd. and I-75, Marietta, GA. Make plans to attend now. For more information call Gary Goddard at (404) 483-8756 or Lynn Moon at (404) 787-2813.

MAY 16 & 17, 1986

The Gateway Chapter will host a Spring Fling Regional Meet at St. Charles, MO. Rooms have been reserved at the Noah's Ark Motel and Restaurant. Hotel reservations must be in by May 2, 1986, to receive the special rate. For more information contact Ellen O'Dell, 417 Valley View, East Alton, IL 62024.

MAY 25, 1986 — BAY AREA/NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

An organizational meeting to form a bay area/northern California chapter. Call Brian Lukas for more information at (415) 525-9226.

MAY 31, JUNE 1, 1986

Colorado's Old Car Council Swap Meet. The Mile Hi Chapter will have several stalls this year for member's use. Call Tom Botkin at (303) 986-9268 for information and stall rental. The swap meet is located at the Adams County Fairgrounds near Brighton, CO. The chapter plans a "tailgate" breakfast.

JUNE 28, 1986

Third Annual Heritage Square Regional Falcon Show and Swap Meet at Heritage Square Shopping Center, Golden, CO. From Denver drive west on 6th Ave., or on I-70 (exit 262) to U.S. 40 to Colfax, then one mile west. Sponsored by the Mile Hi Chapter. Lodging at Ramada Inn Foothills, 11595 W. 6th Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215 c/o Beth Hoback. Phone 1-800-841-0462. Weekend special, \$29.00 a night for two, \$6.00 each additional person. Show and swap meet 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For swap meet information: Tom Botkin, 13196 W. Utah Ave., Lakewood, CO 80228, (303) 986-9268. Show information: Richard and Bobbie Adkins, 13952 W. 78th Place, Arvada, CO 80005, (303) 421-4008.

If you drive your Falcon jewel sensibly, at legal speeds and mostly to car meets, I suspect nothing drastic will ever happen to it from the use of unleaded fuel for a very long period. Keep the engine running cool. Use the 175° or less range thermostat, definitely not the 190°-200° range used in today's engines. Just keep valve lash clearances from "screwing" up and your engine will keep running like a top.

J. Bernard Siegfried

Thanks, Bernie, we need to let the members know what they can do about the unleaded gas problem.

Roy

SEEN A '63½ SPRINT LATELY?

I think most of us Falcon enthusiasts have heard of the elusive "early" 1963½ 6 cyl. Sprints, but has anyone actually seen one? I would like to hear from anyone who thinks he has a legitimate factory 6 cyl. Sprint. I'm interested in any subtle differences (mechanical or cosmetic) between the 6 cyl. Sprint and Futura, and also the serial number and data plate codes.

Brian Goodfellow

Rt. 208, Box 84, Wallkill, NY 12589

Editor's Note: If anyone has information on this, let us know so we can publish it in the newsletter.

★ ★ ★ SPECIAL NOTICE ★ ★ ★

The Falcon News will accept Commercial Ads for the newsletter. They must be sent to the Editor. All ads must be received by the 10th of the month or it will appear in the next issue of The Falcon News. Payment must accompany all ads.

All ads for the classified section of the newsletter must appear with the member's name, or it is considered a commercial ad and must be paid for. Non-member ads in the classified section are \$5.00 each. (Classified ads are limited to 50 words or less.)

ALL COMMERCIAL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY. ADS WILL APPEAR IN THE FALCON NEWS ONLY WHERE SPACE PERMITS.

COMMERCIAL AD RATES:	FULL PAGE	\$50.00
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	QUARTER PAGE	20.00
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ANOTHER ENGINEER'S POINT OF VIEW (Cont.)

Remember, it's only valve and seat *faces* that the lead lubricates. All other valve parts are lubricated with engine oil. As it's nearly impossible to have two surfaces rub together without wear, the Ford Motor Co. ran accelerated tests on about six types of engines on dynamometers. They were *severe* tests. The engines were run at 4000-4500 r.p.m. full throttle, full load. At the end of the equivalent of about 25,000 miles, the engines were dismantled and examined. The tests showed the valves had literally "screwed" themselves into the heads to the point where nearly all the hydraulic lifter adjustment was used up, leaving valve and seat failure imminent. Hardened valve seats and better valve materials were installed and the tests repeated. After the equivalent of about 40,000 miles on the dynamometer, or about 100,000 miles of average road driving conditions, the amount of valve "screw-in" was nearly at the "fail" point. This is considered economically feasible in the automobile industry and was released pending future extensive road tests. As these tests were conducted using brand new engines, they were the worse possible conditions and virtually prevented any engine oil from reaching valve seats.

Now to the Falcon engines. Yes, the valves all rotate, so we need fixes depending on engine condition and lifter type.

On engines equipped with solid lifters, simply remove the rocker cover or covers every 20,000 miles and check the stem clearance. Adjust to specifications if necessary. On engines equipped with hydraulic lifters, remove rocker covers every 20,000 miles and back off rocker valve end screws to just clear valve stem, then proceed to readjust per overhaul instructions.

On most engines with over 65,000-75,000 miles on them, the valve checking interval might be extended to 40,000 miles as valve guide and stem wear lets sufficient oil be sucked into the combustion chamber, mixed with the fuel/air, and lubricate both valves and seats to a degree. Higher mileage engines should last even longer, to a point where a valve job would have been required regardless.

To people not skilled in doing their own work, not wanting to, or feeling their mechanic would charge too much, another solution would be to add a *maximum* of about ½ pint of oil to each tankful of gasoline. If the engine then shows evidence of blue smoke, cut down on the amount of oil added. Remember, you only need sufficient oil to barely lubricate the valve *seats*, and that's all that's required.

There are, of course, legitimate fuel additives that might be added, among which is what they took out, tetraethyl lead. Only several teaspoons full need to be added to a tankful of unleaded gasoline. Trouble might be encountered finding a source. Don't be panicked into buying magic bottles of "snake oil" that devious advertisers will tell you that you must use to keep your priceless antique engine from self destructing.

AUGUST 14, 15, 16, 1986

7th Annual National FCA Meet at Appleton, WI.

ATTENTION

Presently forming Northern Ohio Chapter. For more information, write or phone Walt Sedlak, 13009 Bangor Ave., Garfield Hts., Ohio 44125. Phone (216) 663-0817 after 5.

MEET REPORTS

The Southeast Chapter

The Southeast Chapter had its monthly officers meeting Monday night, March 3, at the home of Sara and Lynn Moon. We had 14 members attending. The main discussion was the upcoming meet in May. All plans have been finalized and everything looks good for a great show. We also discussed the yard sale we're going to have in April to raise money for our club. Our next officers' meeting will be April 7, at Betty and Joe Peppers' house at 7:30 p.m. We would like to invite everyone to attend our Southeast Regional Meet, May 16, 17, and 18. We have worked hard to have a great show. So make plans now to attend and enjoy a great weekend of Falcons.

The Gateway Chapter

The February meeting of the Gateway Chapter was held on Sunday, February 23, with 12 members attending, at the Bonanza Sirloin Pit in St. Charles, MO. The main topic of the meeting was the Spring Fling Regional Meet that is to be held on May 16 and 17, at the Noah's Ark Motel and Restaurant in St. Charles. Reservations must be in by May 2, 1986, to receive the special rate. Some of the activities being planned are: driving rodeo (testing your driving skills), seminar about repairing your Falcon, plus other activities for the whole family.

The Founder's Chapter

Club members met at Ed and Kay's Restaurant in Benton, AR, March 8, for a car meet and dinner. We had a great turnout with 31 attending. Plans were made to tour to Searcy for the W & W Ford Show in April. Our thanks to Wilma Johnson for hosting the evening, and bringing cake and ice cream to celebrate her husband, Howard's birthday. A fun time was enjoyed by all.

The Mile Hi Chapter

On February 12, Paul Garrigan presented the Mile Hi Chapter with an excellent clinic entitled "So you wanna show your Falcon". Snow and cold weather was not a deterrent as Paul has a wonderful heated garage. Paul has won many trophies with his beautiful black Ranchero, including best in the Ranchero class at last year's FCA National. Paul started with the first step of visiting the local self-serve car wash with a fist full of quarters to ending with what to do just before judging. The clinic was part of our chapter's program to start showing off our Falcons.

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Here's an advance look at this year's official 7th Annual National Convention T-Shirt — They're 50% cotton/50% polyester, light blue in color with the 1986 meet logo in official Ford navy blue, and *there's no advertising on this year's t-shirt*. You can now purchase them in advance of the meet for only \$8.00 each postpaid. Orders will be mailed to you if ordered before July 15; paid orders after this date can be picked up at the National Meet.



Order now, include check payable to North Central Falconeers and guarantee correct size (S, M, L, XL, XXL) for everyone in the family. Send order to: North Central Falconeers, c/o Thomas Johnson, P.O. Box 10292, Green Bay, WI 54307.

YOUR 1986 NATIONAL MEET — AUGUST 14 - 16 IN WISCONSIN

The North Central Falconeers are busily planning a relaxing, fun-filled and exciting program for you and your family. We hope you're planning to attend! Here's some more information on where you'll stay and some of the things you can do while you're in Appleton at the meet!

Your "home" will be The Guest House Inn, just off U.S. Hwy. 41 at College Ave. (Appleton is the home of Lawrence University.) For your enjoyment and convenience, The Guest House offers 195 air conditioned rooms, satellite color T.V., indoor and outdoor pools, whirlpool, saunas, tennis courts, volleyball court, recreation and garden park, bowling, dining and dancing, game room, fitness trail . . . and plenty of friendly professional care! All FCA functions will be right on the premises, with all of our beautiful Falcons on display in a very large blacktop parking area right in the middle of the entire complex. You can see why The Guest House Inn theme is . . . "We're really going to grow on you."

A traditional, old fashioned Friday night Wisconsin fish dinner is being planned for Friday, August 15, aboard Wisconsin's largest paddleboat — The Valley Queen II, a 100 ft. recreation of the last great sternwheelers on Wisconsin's historic Fox River. She's elegantly appointed in gleaming stained glass, tin tiled ceilings, Victorian lights, and white gingerbread verandas — plus all the modern day comforts; a dance floor, 2 bars, canopied and enclosed seating for 240 "Falconeers" — all for our own special evening together soaking up river boat lore and a bountiful fish dinner that only Wisconsin could cook up for our group. What great fun it will be! Transportation to and from will be provided.

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**The Mile Hi Chapter
of the Falcon Club of America
presents**

**The Third Annual Heritage Square
Ford Falcon Show
Swap Meet and Mountain Region FCA Regional Meet
JUNE 28, 1986
HERITAGE SQUARE**

U.S. Highway 40 (West Colfax) between Interstate 70 and West 6th Ave.
Golden, Colorado

Show and Swap Meet from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Show/Meet Information: Richard and Bobbie Adkins, 13952 West 78th Place,
Arvada, CO 80005, (303) 421-4008.

Swap Meet Information: Tom Botkin, 13196 West Utah Ave., Lakewood, CO 80228
(303) 986-9268.

ANOTHER ENGINEER'S POINT OF VIEW

Dear Roy and Members:

I have read with interest the articles on the disastrous results expected from running older cars on unleaded gasoline. I have noted no one stated what the **undesirable** results might be, nor the reason for such results. To better understand the anticipated problem, and as not everyone understands fully what's happening inside an engine, a brief explanation is in order.

All internal combustion engines have a hot spot on the exhaust valve seat at a place where the casting configuration limits the amount of coolant to that spot. In an effort to ensure long valve life, automotive engineers devised methods to have *all* valves rotate minutely during their operating cycle. Thus while the amount of rotation per cycle is almost microscopic, at speed one spot on the valve face never remains in the same place and keeps going around and around so that the hot spot does not transfer heat to just one area of the valve face. While tetraethyl lead was incorporated into gasoline years ago strictly as an effective octane booster, engineers realized that valve rotation might not be practicable if it were not for the lubricating effect of lead molecules in the fuel on the intake valve face and seat, and this same lubricating by unburned molecules of lead passing between the exhaust valve face and seat. It's the lead molecules being exhausted into the atmosphere that the EPA's so uptight about.

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Falcon Club of America

Spring Fling Regional - St. Charles, MO

Gateway Chapter

May 16 & 17, 1986

Registration Form for Hotel Accommodations Only

Send confirmation to: *Please print.*

Name _____ Phone _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Accommodations: \$37.00 Single or Double*
 \$39.30 with tax These reduced prices good until May 2.

Mail to: Noah's Ark Motor Inn, 1500 S. Fifth St., St. Charles, MO 63301 or call (314) 946-1000
 Group Name: GATEWAY CHAPTER — FALCON CLUB OF AMERICA

Single _____ Double _____ Two Doubles _____ No. of Persons _____

Day _____ Date _____, 19____

Arriving _____ A.M. _____ P.M. for _____ nights.

Mode of Transportation _____

NOTE: All reservations held until 6 P.M. unless accompanied by a one day's deposit. Please notify us of any change in date or time of arrival.

*Rates are for 2 persons (Children under 18 free) Extra adults \$5.00 each.

Registration Form for Meet *Please print*

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

With Car \$10.00 Swap Spaces - Free for Non-Commercial Members
 Without Car \$8.00 Commercial Swap Spaces - \$20.00

Year _____	Model _____	Body Style _____	Total Cars _____
Year _____	Model _____	Body Style _____	Amount \$ _____

Please mail regional registration forms to: Mrs. Ellen O'Dell, 417 Valley View, East Alton, IL 62024. (618)259-3052.

Banquet Tickets: (Includes tax & gratuity)

Adult - \$12.00 _____ Child - \$6.25 _____
 Quantity Quantity

Registration forms for your 1986 FCA Convention, awards banquet, Guest House Inn rooms and the Valley Queen II riverboat fish dinner and cruise will be in the April, May, June and July issues of *The Falcon News*. Save the dates and the money so we can all get together and enjoy the time together. *Only five months away now — plan now to be a part of it all in Appleton, Wisconsin.* We'd love to have you!

The North Central Falconeers

A DIFFERENT VIEWPOINT OF UNLEADED GAS

Almost every month in *The Falcon News* we have an article about banning leaded gas, and asking for a club letter-writing campaign to our legislators. Action of this kind could show our club to be irresponsible and uninformed. Lead poisoning is a lethal threat to our environment and to human life, especially to small children, and automobiles are a prime source of lead pollution!

Secondly, unleaded gas is not a threat to our cars. It is possible that shortened valve life is an effect, but in terms of motor life expectancy, it is minimal. I have used unleaded gas in my 1961, 144 std. for 10 years, and in my 1968, 200 auto. for 6 years with no problem. Anyone who says they are experiencing poor performance on unleaded gas is "nuts". Lead is not a performance additive. It is a lubricant cushion for valves, and when it is taken out of the gas, other additives are added. Also one of the major east coast oil company's premium high-octane gas has never used lead.

If anyone is afraid of unleaded gas, they can convert their car simply by using late model heads on their cars. Remember, human life outweighs any adverse effects (if any) to our machines.

Jim Record, Crandall, TX

MEMBERS AND THEIR FALCONS MAKE KANSAS CITY NEWS!

Reprinted from The Kansas City Times, December 28, 1985

Gary and Vonda Johnson of Kansas City, Kan., can live without modern luxuries engineered into later-model cars, as long as they have their 1963 Ford Falcon Futura convertible. "I think I get a better buy on this car than on a new one," Mr. Johnson said. "Falcons drive good and they always start in the cold weather. They're just real dependable cars. I bought this because they are cheap to operate and easy to work on." The white car is Mr. Johnson's primary means of transportation. Mrs. Johnson relies on one, too. She drives a '62 Falcon. Mr. Johnson bought the '63 car in 1972 for \$325. He began restoring it two years ago. The work he has done included overhauling its six-cylinder engine and repairing the automatic transmission, brakes and body. It had 68,000 miles on its odometer before Mr. Johnson began restoring it. Now it has about 80,000 miles.

Editor's Note — Thanks, Phil Warren, for sending this in. If your local paper lists any information about Falcons, please let us hear from you.

ONE MAN'S PROJECT

I currently own a 1966 Shelby GT-350 which I have spent the last four years restoring to as original as I can get it (even to the original Goodyear Bluestreak tires). I enter the car in as many Concours shows as I have time to, and fortunately have won most of them, including the 1984 Shelby National Convention in Anaheim, CA.

The reason I mention all of this is to give you an insight as to what I intend to do with my recently purchased 1964 Falcon Sprint (with the way mine looks you might call it a '64 Buzzard Walk). My very first so-called hot-rod was a '64 Sprint back in the good ol' days, and have missed it ever since '66 when I traded it in for a (weak moment) G.T.O.

What I intend to do: build an exact replica of a '64 Monte Carlo Sprint sent to Europe and driven by Bosse Ljungfeldt, enter it in open track meets and try to outdistance a few Shelybs, and enter it in "Popular Vote" car shows. I am dead serious about making this one class Sprint. Hope to have this car on the road by July or August (wishful thinking) and I will send pictures of the progress. Any pictures or specifications any of you might have on the '64 Monte Carlo Sprints would be very helpful. I need all the little details.

Brent Fjelstad
1354 East Paul Ave., Fresno, CA 93710

TECHNICAL HELP WANTED

What do I need to have a full set of manuals covering the 1960-66 Falcon, Comet, Fairlane and Mustang? I already have no. 7760-61, 1961 Ford Falcon Shop Manual, the 1963 Ford Falcon and 1962-63 Mercury Comet Shop Manual Supplement no. 7760-63, and the 1965 Comet, Falcon, Fairlane and Mustang Shop Manual no. 7760-65. Is there anything else I need?

W. D. Clark, PhD.
P.O. Box 634, El Segundo, CA 90245

Editor's Note: If you have this information please let us know so we can publish it in the newsletter.

What are the pros and cons of swapping a 240 c.i.d. engine for a 170 c.i.d. in a 1963 Futura convertible? The car has a Ford-O-Matic transmission. Also, can you tell me a sure-fire way to put on a 6 cyl. valve cover gasket so that it won't leak later on? Thanks!

Rich Toronto
325 Coghlan St., Vallejo, CA 94590

Falcon Club of America, Southeast Chapter 1st Annual Southeast Regional Meet Atlanta Marriott Northwest May 16 - 18, 1986

Registration Form for Hotel Accommodations Only

Name _____ Planned Arrival: _____ Date _____

Address _____ Departure: _____ Date _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Accommodations: _____ Single Room (One Person) - \$48.00

_____ Double Room (Two, Three or Four Persons) - \$48.00

Reservations must be accompanied by a first night's deposit or a guarantee to a major credit card (please include expiration date). If no guarantee or deposit is made, your reservation is not confirmed. If you are unable to arrive on your requested date, the reservation must be cancelled prior to 6 p.m. of arrival date to receive a refund. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m.; Check-out time is 1:00 p.m.

Mail room reservations to: Atlanta Marriott Northwest
I-75 & Windy Hill Rd.
Atlanta, GA 30339
(404) 952-7900

Note: Room Reservations must be made by May 1, 1986.

Registration Form for Meet

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

With Car \$12.00

Without Car 8.00

Total Cars _____ Amount \$ _____

At Meet: ALL Registrations \$15.00

Year	Model	Body Style
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Year	Model	Body Style
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Swap meet spaces \$15.00

Amount for Registration \$ _____

Swap Meet \$ _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Mail to: Gary Goddard
1586 Hwy. 212
Conyers, GA 30208

Banquet Tickets
(includes tax & gratuity)

Adult - \$15.00 _____
Quantity

Child - \$6.75 _____
Quantity

Falcon Club of America
1ST ANNUAL REGIONAL MEET

May 16 - 18, 1986
Atlanta, Georgia

Sponsored By:

THE SOUTHEAST CHAPTER

Falcon Club of America

Trophies • Swap Meet • Dash Plaques

For more information write:

Gary Goddard, 1586 Hwy. 212, Conyers, GA 30208
or phone: 1-404-483-8756.

The Members of the Gateway Chapter
invite you to attend a

Spring Fling Regional Meet

at Historic St. Charles, Missouri

May 16 and 17, 1986

We have reserved rooms at the Noah's Ark Motel and Restaurant overlooking the Missouri River. Also on this weekend St. Charles is having its annual Lewis & Clark Rendezvous in the restored historic district. The ladies will enjoy shopping at the many unique shops in the area.

Activities include banquet, driving rodeo, seminars, trophies, free swap spaces for non-commercial members and attendance prizes.

Please pre-register and make your hotel reservations early. This will help us plan a better regional for you. Hotel reservations must be in by May 2, 1986, to receive the special FCA rate. Please contact us for extra information packets on the St. Charles area. Phone (618) 259-3052 or (314) 441-6653, or write Ellen O'Dell, 417 Valley View, East Alton, IL 62024.

Heritage Square Falcon Show, pre-registration form

Mail to: Richard and Bobbie Adkins, 13952 West 78th Place, Arvada, CO 80005

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Falcon(s) to show and their condition (show car, excellent, fair, for sale)

This show is free. There is no registration charge or fee. Falcons to be shown must be in the mall by 10:00 a.m. No Falcon is allowed to leave the mall during the show.

Lodging for the meet:

Ramada Inn Foothills, 11595 West Sixth Avenue, Lakewood, CO 80215.
Phone (303) 238-7751 or toll free 1-800-841-0462, attention Beth Hoback.

Rates: \$29.00 per day for a room for two. Each additional person, \$6.00

To take advantage of this special rate, send your reservations to the Ramada Inn by June 14 to insure the "blocking" with other Falcon lovers.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

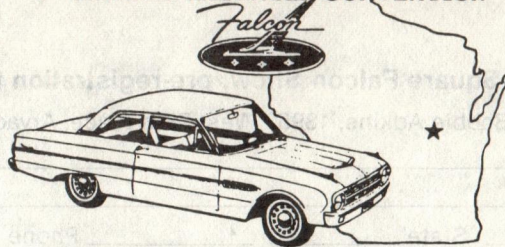
Single ☐ Double ☐ No. of Persons _____ Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Name of Group: Falcon Club of America, c/o Beth Hoback

Reservations will be accepted right up to the 28th, but there will be no guarantee that you can be placed with other members after the 14th.

The Ramada Inn Foothills is a fully equipped 201 room motel with all of the amenities including swimming pool. The swap meet will run for the entire day this year. There is no fee to sell at the swap meet, but you do need to provide your own tables and chairs. The chapter will host a table, so if you only have a few parts to sell you may check them in and the chapter will sell them for you. For swap meet information contact Tom Botkin, 13196 W. Utah Ave., Lakewood, CO 80228, phone (303) 986-9268.

7TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION



APPLETON, WI AUGUST 14 - 16, 1986

Car Entry * Banquet Tickets * Swap Spaces
T-Shirts * Riverboat Tour

Please Print Information: (Spouse/Guest)

Name _____

Address _____

REGISTRATION: \$15 if preregistered by July 15, 1986
\$20 at meet, \$12.50 without a car

Year _____	Model _____	Body Style _____
Year _____	Model _____	Body Style _____
Total Cars _____		Total \$ _____

SWAP SPACES: Members \$ 5.00 \$ _____
Commercial Non-Members \$10.00 \$ _____
T-SHIRTS: S M L XL (circle sizes, #) @\$ 8.00 \$ _____

BANQUET TICKETS: Adult _____ @\$12.50
Child _____ @\$ 6.00 (children under 12)

Includes tax & gratuities. Total # _____ Total \$ _____

RIVERBOAT RIDE: Friday evening, includes - transportation,
music, tour and Fish Dinner # _____ Chicken Optional # _____
Adult _____ @\$17.50
Youth _____ @\$12.50 (ages 7-14)
Child _____ @\$ 6.00 (children under 7)

Total for registration: \$ _____ T-Shirts \$ _____
Total for Swap Spaces: \$ _____ Riverboat \$ _____
Total for Banquet: \$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

SEND CHECK & ENTRY FORM TO: North Central Falconeers
Thomas Johnson P.O. Box 10292 Green Bay, WI 54307



"We're really going to
grow on you."
3730 W. College Avenue
Appleton, WI
414-734-9231
800-428-3438
Just off Hwy. 41 at
College Avenue

RESERVATION REQUEST
TO INSURE PROPER RESERVATIONS
RETURN THIS CARD TO GUEST HOUSE INN PRIOR TO YOUR CUT-OFF DATE

FALCON CLUB OF AMERICA
CHECK IN AUGUST 14TH 1986
CHECK OUT AUGUST 17TH 1986
CUT-OFF JULY 15TH 1986
RATE: \$40.00 ROOM RATE

NAME _____ LAST _____ FIRST _____ INITIAL _____
COMPANY _____
STREET _____ PHONE _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
ROOM TYPE: SINGLE DOUBLE TRIPLE QUAD
SHARING ROOM _____
ARRIVAL DATE _____ DEPARTURE DATE _____
CHECK IN 2:00 PM
CHECK OUT 11:00 AM

ALL RESERVATIONS ARE TO BE
GUARANTEED BY FIRST NIGHTS
DEPOSIT OR MAJOR CREDIT CARD
GUARANTEE
☐ ADVANCE DEPOSIT
AMOUNT \$ _____
☐ MAJOR CREDIT CARD
SIGNATURE _____
TYPE _____ NO. _____
EXP. DATE _____
CALL ANY CHANGES OR CANCELLATIONS TO
RESERVATIONS TOLL FREE
1-800-428-3438
CANCEL RESERVATIONS PRIOR TO 4:00 P.M.

